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Lola Montez House

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History - Lola Montez, one-time Countess of Landsfeldt, Bavaria, beautiful and talented originator of popular spider dance in San Francisco, came to Grass Valley in 1854. House then a one-story clapboard cottage built on site of Grass Valley's first school.

Description -

Originally one story frame clapboard house. In Lola's day, there was a dove cote, still there, for her pet bear; a rose garden, magnificent poplar trees screen it from street. A small rear portion of her original cottage remains. A second story added after Lola Montez period shows gabled clapboard second story, arched hoods over gabled windows; wood quoining at corners above porch. Molded colonnettes with bracket-like capitals supporting verandah roof. Brick-lined cellar.

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